

**IN THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. An identifier indicating the status of each claim is provided.

Listing of Claims

1-18. (Canceled)

19. (Previously Presented) An editing system comprising:

storing means for storing audio data to be reproduced;

synthesizing means for synthesizing a plurality of channels of said audio data;

changing means for changing the reproduction speed of said audio data without affecting an interval thereof; and

supplying means for supplying the audio data synthesized by said synthesizing means and the audio data whose reproduction speed is changed by said changing means to arbitrary output channels,

wherein said changing means changes the reproduction speed of said audio data without changing the pitch, and

wherein said changing means interpolates data of a pitch period between adjacent segments of said audio data.

20. (Previously Presented) An editing method comprising:

a storing step of storing audio data to be reproduced;

a synthesizing step of synthesizing said audio data of a plurality of channels;

a changing step of changing the reproduction speed of said audio data without affecting an interval thereof; and

a supplying step of supplying the audio data synthesized in said synthesizing step and the audio data whose reproduction speed is changed in said changing step to arbitrary output channels,

wherein said changing step changes the reproduction speed of said audio data without changing the pitch, and

wherein said changing step interpolates data of a pitch period between adjacent segments of said audio data.

21. (Currently Amended) A ~~distribution-computer-readable medium adapted to store for providing~~ a program which controls an editing system to perform a process comprising:

a storing step of storing audio data to be reproduced;

a synthesizing step of synthesizing said audio data of a plurality of channels;

a changing step of changing the reproduction speed of said audio data without affecting an interval thereof; and

~~a supplying step of supplying the audio data synthesized in said synthesizing step and the audio data whose reproduction speed is changed in said changing step to arbitrary output channels,~~

wherein said changing step changes the reproduction speed of said audio data without changing the pitch, and

wherein said changing step interpolates data of a pitch period between adjacent segments of said audio data; and

an outputting step of outputting the audio data synthesized in said synthesizing step and the audio data whose reproduction speed is changed in said changing step to arbitrary output channels.